



“Stormwater Management in Your Backyard” Rain Garden Education Program

How would you like to inspire your community to protect millions of gallons of your groundwater resources?

Join us for a Virginia Tech and Rutgers University Cooperative Extension “Stormwater Management in Your Backyard” training program on rain garden installation and maintenance. This program is being offered through a grant from the USDA CSREES National Water Program. There is no fee for the program. A rain garden is designed to capture storm water run-off and return it to groundwater. Native plants in rain gardens filter out pollutants such as excess fertilizers, motor oil and sediment.

The training program consists of a Thursday evening of classroom instruction. Topics include: VA stormwater management regulations, rain garden site selection, installation, and maintenance, and native plants. On the following Saturday morning, there will be a volunteer “Train the Trainer” session in which participants will receive materials that can be used to start rain garden education programs in their community. The training session will be followed by a rain garden installation demonstration.

Classroom Program Date: Thursday, April 2, 2009

Time: 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Location: Museum of the Shenandoah Valley, 901 Amherst Street, Winchester, VA 22601 (directions on next page.)

“Train-the-Trainer” and Rain Garden Installation Demonstration:

Date: Saturday, April 4, 2009

Time: 9:00 am – 10:00 am – Community Volunteer Train-the-Trainer program
10:00 am – 12:00 noon – rain garden installation demonstration

Location: Douglas Learning Ctr., 598 N. Kent St. Winchester, VA (directions on next page.)

Come prepared to help plant this community demonstration rain garden!

To Register: Please mail or fax the form on the next page to:
Virginia Cooperative Extension of Fredrick County, Attn: Lynn Hoffmann
107 North Kent Street, Winchester, VA 22601-5000
540-665-5699 - Main Office
540-722-8380 – Fax



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(Please print)

Name: _____ County _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address _____

Museum of the Shenandoah Valley, 901 Amherst Street, Winchester, VA 22601

From points north: Take Interstate 81 south to Exit 317. Follow signs for Route 37 south. Travel south on Route 37 to Route 50 (Winchester/Romney exit). Turn left onto Route 50/Amherst Street. After approximately one mile, the entrance is on the right.

From points south: Take Interstate 81 north to Exit 310. Follow signs for Route 37 north. Travel north on Route 37 to Route 50 (Winchester/Romney exit). Turn right onto Route 50/Amherst Street. After approximately one mile, the entrance is on the right.

From Washington, D.C.: (About 75 miles.) Take Interstate 66 west to Interstate 81 north and follow directions above from points south.

Douglas Learning Center 598 N. Kent St. Winchester, VA

From points north: Take Interstate 81 South to exit 317, for US-11 toward Winchester/Stephenson. Turn right onto US-11 South/Martinsburg Pike. Travel approx 0.5 miles and bear left for US-11 South toward Winchester. Travel approx 0.8 miles to second traffic light and turn left on Brooke Rd. and then immediately turn right onto Brick Kiln Rd. Travel approx. 0.2 miles and turn right onto North Kent Street. Travel approx. 0.4 miles to 598 North Kent Street (on your left-just past Plumly Lumber)

From points south: Take Interstate 81 North to exit 317, for US-11 toward Winchester/Stephenson. Turn left onto US-11 South/Martinsburg Pike. Travel approx 0.5 miles and bear left for US-11 South toward Winchester. Travel approx 0.8 miles to second traffic light and turn left on Brooke Rd. and then immediately turn right onto Brick Kiln Rd.. Travel approx. 0.2 miles and turn right onto North Kent Street. Travel approx. 0.4 miles to 598 North Kent Street (on your left-just past Plumly Lumber)

From the Museum of the Shenandoah Valley:Follow Amherst Street towards downtown Winchester (turn right from Museum entrance).Follow Amherst Street to North Washington Street and turn left. Travel 2 blocks and turn right onto West Fairfax Lane.Travel 3 blocks to North Kent (just after RR tracks) and turn left onto N Kent.Travel approx. 0.5 miles to 598 North Kent Street on your right.



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